

**In the United States District Court  
For the Southern District of Georgia  
Maycross Division**

RANDY EDWARDS,

Plaintiff,

v.

JEFF COLEMAN; EDWINA JOHNSON;  
TIMOTHY WARD; and GEORGIA  
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS,

Defendants.

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CIVIL ACTION NO.: 5:20-cv-54

**ORDER**

After an independent and de novo review of the entire record, the Court concurs with the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation. Dkt. No. 8. Plaintiff filed Objections to this Report and Recommendation. Dkt. No. 11.

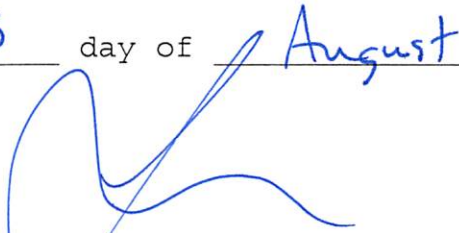
The Magistrate Judge issued a Report recommending the dismissal of Plaintiff's Complaint without prejudice because Plaintiff did not respond to the Court's directive to either pay the requisite filing fee or move to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Dkt. No. 8. Plaintiff's Objections are largely unresponsive to the Report and Recommendation. While he states he submitted a petition to proceed to this Court, dkt. no. 11, p. 3, this Court has not received this petition. Additionally, Plaintiff still

has not moved to proceed *in forma pauperis* or paid the filing fee, as directed. The Court **OVERRULES** Plaintiff's Objections.

Accordingly, the Court **ADOPTS** the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation as the opinion of the Court. The Court **DISMISSES** without prejudice Plaintiff's Complaint for failure to follow this Court's directive, **DIRECTS** the Clerk of Court to **CLOSE** this case and enter the appropriate judgment of dismissal, and **DENIES** Plaintiff *in forma pauperis* status on appeal.

However, the Court shall provide Plaintiff until September 30, 2020, to pay the filing fee. If Plaintiff does so, the Court will vacate its judgment and re-refer this matter to the Magistrate Judge. If Plaintiff does not pay the requisite filing fee on or before September 30, 2020, this judgment will remain the judgment of this Court, and this case will remain closed.

SO ORDERED, this 5 day of August, 2020.



HON. LISA GODBEY WOOD, JUDGE  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA